THE PULSE

of the Employees of The New York Hospital 68th to 71st Streets, York Ave. to East River

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WHAT'S YOUR OFFER?

"Dear Sir,

I want to donate some blood for the navy. I want to defeat Hitler and the Jap.I am 90 pounds height-4ft.11-waist-24.I want you to take 24 qt. of blood I am 11 yards I will come to N.Y.Hospital

Yours truly,
Charles Weidmann"

April 21, 1942

"Mr. Charles Weidmann
1290 Webster Avenue
Bronx, New York

Dear Mr. Weidmann:

I regret to say that the New York Hospital is not collecting blood for the Navy, but only for patients who may come here to be treated. The Red Cross is collecting blood for the Army and Navy at their centre at 139 East 36th Street, New York City, but I greatly fear they will not be willing to take blood from a person your size no matter how eager he is to give it. I wish to thank you for your generous offer and please accept my regret that we are unable to take advantage of it.

Very truly yours,
Ralph G.Stillman, M.D.
Clinical Pathologist."

May 8, 1942

To the Editor of THE PULSE:

In an effort to keep up the interest in Accident Prevention a Safety Contest has been carried on between the larger administrative departments of the Hospital. The method of calculating results in each department has been on the basis of comparison with past records in that department. Since the hazards in each department differ, this seems to be a fair way of judging results. We are pleased to announce that the Engineering Department is the winner of the contest recently closed. It extended from November 1st to April 30th. Not only is the Engineering Department to be congratulated on winning but also for being entirely free of accidents during December 1941 and April 1942. The Department of Psychiatry nosed out the Nursing Department for second place and achieved a record of no lost time for six months. A contest along similar lines will be launched in a few months. In the meantime it behooves us all to be safety conscious in order that we may be of maximum service during the war period. We congratulate the winning department in the contest and urge that all members of all departments cooperate to do away with conditions that are likely to cause accidents.

Yours for Accident Prevention,

MURRAY SARGENT.

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WELL HOW DO YOU LIKE IT

This issue of the Pulse comes to you in new style; we hope you like it. It was the desire of the editors of this little paper to conform with the spirit of war time economy, which accounted for the style and format of recent numbers.

In our opinion we swung a bit too far to the lean side. We present this new set-up as one much less expensive than the original issues, but we hope with much more style than our offerings of late. How do you like it?

TENNIS COURTS

With the coming of warmer weather the tennis courts have been put in order for the benefit of the members of the Hospital organization. It is hoped that those using the courts will regard it as the privilege that it is and will cooperate fully with the rules regarding their use. Among these rules are the following:

1. All regular Hospital employees are privileged to use the courts. Identification cards must be presented at request of caretaker.

2. Reservations must be made at the Hospital Garage.
   a. For not more than two days in advance.
   b. For only one hour for each group of players.
   c. May be made by telephone for the same day. By person only for the following day.
   d. Reservation slips must be obtained from Garage Attendant and be given to caretaker at time of play.
   e. Please notify Garage Attendant of cancellation.

The Tennis Committee consists of E. H. Lawrence, Chairman, Lee Ehrbright, Helen S. Foster, J. F. Hanning, Mary McDermott and E. Cooper Person, M. D. It hopes to keep the number of regulations governing the use of the courts down to a minimum, but that will depend on the cooperation of the players. If you have any suggestions to make, the Committee will be glad to hear of them.

CORNELL HOBBY SHOW

On Saturday evening May 9th, the students of Cornell University Medical School gave their annual hobby show in the College dining room. The stage show was held in the auditorium.

All the acts of the "floor show" were well done indeed. One skit that pleased the enormous audience was the reading of a nurse's diary with pantomimes by a group of nurses. The Freshmen played an active part this year with skits that provoked considerable laughter. Musical numbers were much in evidence this year. There were piano soli, splendid glee club singing and a most

pleasing quartet. A community sing fest put every one in high spirits, particularly with "Deep in The Heart of Texas" with the four hand claps produced by the audience.

Particular mention should be made of the "Alma Mater"lyrics written by Thomas Almy, M. D.,'39 to the tune of "Finlandia" by Sibelius and effectively sung by the Glee Club of which Dr. Almy was a member. The hobby exhibits excited much enthusiasm, skillful and artistic pieces filled the dining room.

A very successful show.

MEN IN SERVICE

Names that are to be added to the roster of New York Hospital employees who have joined the army during the past month are: Joseph Franciscono, technician in Medicine,Charles Taylor and Thomas Whitaker from Psychiatry, Henry Taylor and Joseph Quilty, orderlies,Mitchell Lorenze, William Gress, Joseph Harris and Roscoe Daniels from Nutrition Department, John T. Shine, Laundry, Joseph Bennett and John Quinn from the Engineering Department.

Godspeed and good fortune to these men who have been ordained to help us realize ultimate Victory.

Letters have been received from several former employees who are now in the Service. Mark Cundiff from Information is now an Aviation Cadet and is stationed at Kelly Field,San Antonio,Texas. Leslie Wackwitz and Anthony Morgan from the Accounting Department, are both stationed in the Canal Zone. Peter Tigue of the Pharmacy says he is enjoying the Sunshine in Tampa, Florida.

TO ALL EMPLOYEES

NEW YORK HOSPITAL

CORNELL MEDICAL COLLEGE

Final Returns On Greater New York Fund Drive

The satisfaction of knowing that we are "pulling our own weight" is something to keep after.

If your response to the 1942 Greater New York Fund drive is any indication, we are not losing ground. 1,344 individuals gave $1,448.38 - an increase in both of more than 75% over last year!

Thanks to all of you who made such a generous response.

W. W. Downey
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THE PULSE'S DATE

We have decided to refrain from the practice of putting a specific date on the Pulse as we feel that it should give way to more important matters.

We have no intention of forsaking it. You may expect it between the 15th and 25th of the month.

May we offer as the most apt slogan for the times: "BEGIN AS YOU WOULD CARRY ON." This is an air raid shelter admonition but we do feel it warrants wider use.

HOSPI - TALES

Our heartiest congratulations go to Mr. Theodore F. Childs upon his promotion to Administrator of Payne Whitney Clinic. Mr. Childs' activities while assistant purchasing agent have been noteworthy.We are certain of his success in his new capacity.

Miss Mary Stites of Social Service leaves us today to join the staff of the American Red Cross. She expects to be in Washington two weeks,and then sent to parts unknown.

Dr. Louis R. Chapin,Assistant Resident in Obstetrics and Gynecology,and Dr.Edgar P.Fleischman, Assistant Resident are now in the Army. Dr. Sam Burnett, Interne in Surgery, has joined the Navy.

Mrs.Emily Rapp, former Registrar in the Woman's Clinic,is now the Hospital Postmistress. Miss Ann Brandmaier is the new Registrar. We wish them the best of luck in their new placements.

The Accounting Department welcomes two newcomers to its fold--Marjorie Leroy, formerly of the messenger staff,and Miss Rose Bruno.

We also extend congratulations to Charles Constantine who has been promoted to the position formerly held by Peter Komar, who has resigned.

The Cashier's Office wishes to report that Norman Pedersen has resigned for another position after a long association with the Hospital.

Mrs.Mary Carven and Miss Vida Babcock, of Nursing and Information respectively, have resigned. Mrs. Alice Harriman has been appointed to succeed Mrs. Carven.

Mr. Lazarus Hochberg of the X-Ray Department has just returned from a very pleasant vacation in Florida.

Miss Veronica Matus from the Woman's Clinic spent the past, week vacationing in Atlantic City New Jersey.

Dr. and Mrs. Leslie V. Dill have just returned from Fort Pierce,Florida where they enjoyed three weeks' vacation.

Dr. and Mrs. B. S. Troedsson have just returned from their honeymoon at Virginia Beach. They were married on May 2nd in Maplewood, New Jersey.

We are all happy that Dr. James Dingwall has recovered from a recent illness.

THE VOLUNTEER

She may be late,
(She had a date)
The Volunteer.
But come she will
(It's still a thrill
To have "a job.")

Her dress is telling,
Her fingers willing,
The Volunteer.
You will agree
We could not be
Without -- The Volunteer.

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